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Land Use Working Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, May 15, 2013 9:00 a.m.

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning DupPage County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800 Chicago, Illinois 60606

Members Present: Ed Paesel (Chair), Kristi DeLaurentiis, Lisa DiChiera, Kimberly

Flom, Sheena Frève, David Husemoller (for Eric Waggoner), Steve

Lazzara (for Curt Paddock), Arnold Randall, Heather Smith,

Heather Tabbert, Todd Vanadilok.

Members Absent: Judy Beck, Robert Cole, Roger Dahlstrom, Dave Galowich (Vice-

Chair), Dennis Sandquist, Mark VanKerkhoff, Nathaniel Werner,

Norm West, Nancy Williamson.

Staff Present: Stephen Ostrander (committee liaison), Lindsay Broughel, Trevor

Dick, Jason Navota, Elizabeth Schuh, Jessica Simoncelli

Others Present: Sara Ellis (Will County), Joe Levie (Will County), Mike Walczak

(NWMC)

1.0 Call to Order

Ed Paesel called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Committee members were reminded that this meeting of the Land Use Committee would end by 10:25am, in order to allow members to attend an informational session on the new call for projects for the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Community Planning Program and CMAP Local Technical Assistance Program.

3.0 Approval of the Meeting Notes – April 18, 2013

A motion to approve the minutes of April 18, 2013, was made by Heather Smith and seconded by Heather Tabbert. All in favor, the motion carried.

4.0 Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program: Lake County Local Food System, Liberty Prairie Reserve Master Plan Update

Jessica Simoncelli (CMAP) has been working with stakeholders and decision-makers in

Lake County on two concurrent projects: an assessment of the sustainable local food system in Lake County, and a master plan update for the Liberty Prairie Reserve. These two projects are seeking to promote sustainable local food production as a viable land use and a tool for economic development. One major recommendation emerging from these projects is to support the use of public lands for local food production. (CMAP Local Food System Brochure)

Jessica's presentation is available here.

Ed Paesel: Large subdivisions built just before the economic downturn – could these be used [to satisfy some of the need for additional land for local food production]? Jessica: We were looking more at overall policies than specific parcels. David Husemoller: Lake County does have some subdivisions that were already platted that are being used for agricultural production.

Kimberly Flom: Are CSA's also on the rise? Jessica: CSA's are on the rise. I can get you figures on the exact numbers.

Kimberly: Do you see a need for additional land to be acquired by [Lake] County? David: The County, mainly through the Forest Preserve, is busy acquiring land ...[and there certainly is an ongoing need for more].

David: The County is actively [trying to implement] the recommendations from [this project].

Jason Navota: We are additionally looking at [leasing structure for agricultural production]. We plan to do an economic analysis of [supply side of the regional food system].

Ed: Have we done a survey of all county forest preserves?

Jason: We have only studied Lake County, but [we plan to look at others].

Ed: What about Cook County?

Arnold Randall: [Cook County currently does some, but very little].

5.0 Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program: Will County - Fairmont Neighborhood Plan Samantha Robinson and Trevor Dick (CMAP) and Steve Lazzara (Will County) discussed the Fairmont Neighborhood Plan, one of the first LTA projects to be initiated and completed, focusing on Will County's progress implementing the plan's recommendations.

Samantha and Trevor's presentation is available here.

Lisa DiChiera: How is it that neither Lockport nor Joliet have annexed Fairmont? Steve Lazzara: There is no incentive for Lockport and Joliet to annex the community, and Fairmont wants to stay independent.

Lisa: Does Fairmont have its own school district?

Steve: The grade school is one school district.

Will County intern Sara Ellis studied the history of the Fairmont community. Her presentation is available here.

6.0 Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program: CMAP Arts and Culture Toolkit

There was not enough time for this agenda item.

7.0 Other Business

Ed Paesel recommended that the committee arrange for a trip to a site (perhaps related to a project discussed at a previous committee meeting, such as Orland Park's Ninety7Fifty on the Park development) in lieu of the regular meeting. He suggested that July might be an appropriate month to do this.

8.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment

9.0 Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the CMAP Land Use Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, June 19, 2013.

10.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Liaison

June 14, 2013